

The House Committee on Health and Human Services offers the following substitute to HB 192:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 43-35-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding podiatry practice, so as to provide that podiatric medicine includes the diagnosis and treatment of cosmetic conditions regarding the human foot and leg; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Code Section 43-35-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding podiatry practice, is amended by revising subparagraph (A) of paragraph (5) as follows:

"(A) Charging a fee or other compensation, either directly or indirectly, for any history or physical examination of a patient in a person's office or in a hospital, clinic, or other similar facility prior to, incident to, and necessary for the diagnosis and treatment, by primary medical care, surgical or other means, of diseases, ailments, injuries, cosmetic conditions, or abnormal conditions of the human foot and leg. As used in this subparagraph, the term 'cosmetic' means a surgical or medical procedure intended to enhance the physical appearance or function of the foot, ankle, or leg, including, but not limited to, skin problems such as blemishes, spider veins, and scar revisions;"

SECTION 2.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.